



ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE ON HEALTH

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

SUBJECT: Medical aid in dying

PURPOSE: To examine the practice of medical aid in dying, as well as potential legislation to authorize this practice.

Albany

Monday, April 23, 2018
10:00 A.M.
Hearing Room C
Legislative Office Building

New York City

Thursday, May 3, 2018
11:00 A.M.
Assembly Hearing Room
19th Floor, 250 Broadway

ORAL TESTIMONY BY INVITATION ONLY

These hearings will focus on Assembly bill A.2383-A (Paulin) that would enable terminally ill individuals with decision-making capacity to voluntarily request and receive a prescription for medication to end their lives. With growing interest in the concept of Aid in Dying (AID), and similar legislation having been enacted in several states, public hearings will provide an important opportunity for supporting and opposing arguments to be heard.

Persons invited to participate in these hearings should complete and return the enclosed reply form as soon as possible. It is important that the reply form be fully completed and returned so that persons may be notified in the event of emergency postponement or cancellation.

Oral testimony will be limited to ten minutes. All testimony will be under oath. In preparing the order of witnesses, the Committee will attempt to accommodate individual requests to speak at particular times in view of special circumstances. These requests should be made on the attached reply form or communicated to Committee staff as early as possible.

Fifteen copies of any prepared testimony should be submitted at the hearing registration desk. The Committee would appreciate receiving prepared statements in advance.

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**Richard N. Gottfried
Member of Assembly
Chair
Committee on Health**

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I plan to attend the hearing on “Medical aid in dying” to be conducted by the Assembly Committee on Health on:

_____ April 23, 2018, in Albany, New York

_____ May 3, 2018, in New York City, New York

I have been invited and plan to make a public statement at the hearing.

_____ April 23, 2018, in Albany, New York

_____ May 3, 2018, in New York City, New York

My statement will be limited to 10 minutes, and I will answer any questions which may arise. I will provide 15 copies of my prepared statement.

I will address my remarks to the following subjects:

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